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Emerging Infectious Disease (EID) Concerns for Hawaii



What Are EIDs?

- Infections recently appearing within a population or those whose incidence or geographic range rapidly increased (past 2 decades) or threatens to increase in near future
- Potential causative agents:
 - Previously undetected or unknown infectious agents
 - Known agents spreading to new geographic locations or populations
 - Previously known agents with unrecognized role in specific diseases
 - Re-emerging agents whose disease incidence historically, significantly declined, but whose disease incidence reappeared
- Cause global societal and economic impacts









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Factors Contributing to EIDs

- Natural evolution/adaptation
- Outcome of human behavior—for example:
 - Inappropriate or increased antimicrobial use
 - Travel
 - Crowding—population growth
 - Migration—rural to urban
 - Ecological, potentially destructive, change
 - Social disparity
 - Association with animal population
 - Intentional—war, bioterrorism



Conditions for Establishing EID

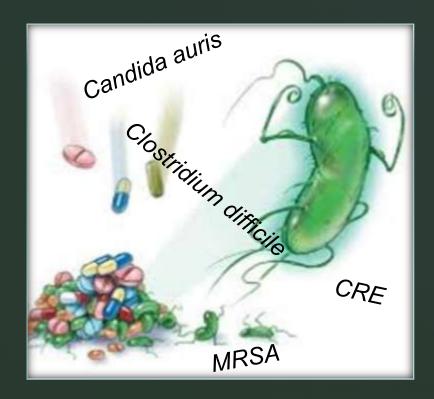
- Vulnerable or susceptible population—e.g., novel agent or no/low immunity
- Transmission via person-to-person or via readily available, difficult to control vectors
- Sustainable in population once introduced



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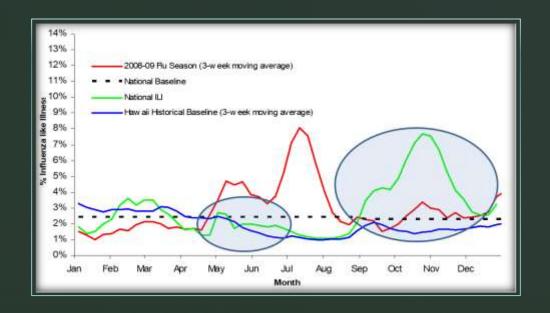




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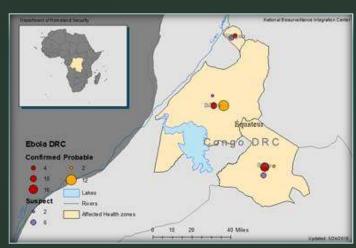
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